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1. WE GAVE MFA DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION VAN GORKOM COPY OF PAPER PROVIDED REFTEL. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION AND SAID DUTCH WERE PARTICULARLY PLEASED BY STRONG US STAND ON THIS MATTER SINCE AT TIME FAO TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAM APPROVED US AND DUTCH HAD BEEN IN SHARP DISAGREEMENT. HE EMPHASIZED AGAIN IMPORTANCE DUTCH ATTACHE TO GREATER COHESION IN UN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF EXTENT TO WHICH UN WOULD BE INVOLVED IN FOLLOW-UP TO CIEC.

2. VAN GORKOM SAID HE BELIEVED THERE WAS GROWING APPRECIATION OF NEED TO DEAL WITH CENTRIFUGAL FORCES IN UN SYSTEM USING FAO EFFORTS AS ILLUSTRATION OF WHAT HE HAD IN MIND. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE REFERRED TO DUTCH SATISFACTION WITH COMMENTS THAT MCNAMARA OF WORLD BANK HAD MADE TO THEM DURING RECENT VISIT TO WASHINGTON REGARDING NEED TO STRENGTHEN UN ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION COMMITTEE.

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3. IN SAME CONTEXT VAN GORKOM RAISED PROBLEM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN IFAD AND UN. HE RECALLED THAT DUTCH HAD ORIGINALLY OPPOSED MAKING IFAD A SPECIALIZED AGENCY BUT COULD LIVE WITH IT AS SUCH. AT SAME TIME DUTCH CONSIDERED IT IMPORTANT THAT AGREEMENT LINKING IT TO UN SHOULD BE AS STRONG AS POSSIBLE. HE THOUGHT COMPROMISE NOW UNDER CONSIDERATION IN NEW YORK WOULD PROBABLY WORK OUT SATISFACTORILY BUT REPEATED

THAT HE BELIEVED IT WAS IN INTEREST OF ALL TO WORK FOR IMPROVED COORDINATION THAT WOULD KEEP UN FAMILY TIED CLOSELY TOGETHER.

4. ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS DURING THE CONVERSATION VAN GORKOM CAME BACK TO THE POINT OF THE NECESSITY FOR COHERSION IN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE SATISFACTORY FOLLOW-UP TO CIEC.
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